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Dear Patent Examiner:

This amendment C responds to the Final Office Action mailed May 23, 2006, and to comments made in the Advisory Action mailed August 30, 2006 for the subject application, in which claims 1-20 were rejected.

Applicants are filing an RCE with this Amendment C. In addition, Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time to file this RCE and to consider Amendment C.

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